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## Awards

2012: Promotion of PI to Full Professor at The University of Chicago

2014: Quantrell Award to PI from The University of Chicago

2014: Semifinalist Intel Science Talent Search Award to Claire Liu

2014: NSF Graduate Fellowship to Luke Bertels

2014: NSF Graduate Fellowship to Andrew Valentine

### Graduate Students

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PERCENT SUPPORTED</u>	Discipline
Andrew Sand	0.20	
Erik Hoy	0.20	
Nick Rubin	0.20	
Srikent Vera Rhagavan	0.20	
Andrew Valentine	0.20	
Charles Forgy	0.20	
Erica Sturm	0.20	
Romit Chakraborty	0.20	
Christine Schwerdtfeger	0.20	
Jay Foley	0.20	
<b>FTE Equivalent:</b>	<b>2.00</b>	
<b>Total Number:</b>	<b>10</b>	

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>PERCENT SUPPORTED</u>
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David A. Mazziotti	0.08	
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<u>NAME</u>	<u>PERCENT SUPPORTED</u>	Discipline
Luke Bertels	0.50	Chemistry
Nolan Skochdopole	0.30	Chemistry
Claire Liu	0.50	Chemistry
Kasra Naftchi-Ardebili	0.30	Chemistry
James Snyder	0.30	Chemistry
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Jay Foley (0.2)

Srikant Vera Rhagavan (0.2)

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**Total Number:**

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**Inventions (DD882)**

**Scientific Progress**

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## **Technology Transfer**

Areas of technology transfer include:

- (1) Formation of a start-up company RDMCHEM LLC in 2014. RDMCHEM LLC is a software company that is developing the next generation of computational software for chemistry with applications to engineering, molecular biology, and physics.
- (2) Distribution of software: The ARO grant led to the production of a research code that is distributed at <http://mazziotti.uchicago.edu>.
- (3) The grant supported research by my graduate student Jonathan Foley who is currently on staff at Argonne National Laboratory.
- (4) The grant supported research by my graduate student Loren Greenman who is currently a postdoctoral fellow at Berkeley National Laboratory.
- (5) The grant supported the undergraduate student Luke Bertels and my graduate student Andrew Valentine who received 2014 graduate fellowships from the National Science Foundation.
- (6) The grant supported the high school student Claire Liu who was named a semifinalist in the 2014 Intel Science Talent Search for her ARO-sponsored research.

## Final Report 2014

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### Statement of the Problem Solved

Challenges addressed by the research include: (i) improving our understanding of the *many-electron quantum mechanisms* by which nature uses strong electron correlation for efficient energy transfer, particularly in photosynthesis and bioluminescence, (ii) providing an innovative *paradigm for energy transfer in photovoltaic materials* by which new levels of solar efficiency are achieved through the use of strong electron correlation and entanglement, (iii) enhancing two-electron reduced-density-matrix (2-RDM)-based electronic-structure methods that significantly expand the range of strongly correlated molecular systems that can be studied with applications throughout science and engineering, and (iv) developing a new generation of large-scale, parallel algorithms for performing semidefinite programming with applications to problems in engineering, computer science, statistics, finance and economics.

### Summary of the Most Important Results

Significant research was supported under a prior grant from the Army Research Office. The research produced 33 published papers<sup>1-33</sup> and partially supported the training of 12 graduate students, 5 undergraduate students, and 1 high school student. The high school student Claire Liu was recently named one of the semifinalists in the 2014 Intel Science Talent Search for her research project, “The Effect of Electron Correlation on Efficient Energy Transfer in a Synthetic Chromophore System.” Highlights of the research include:

**1) Development, Application, and Distribution of the Parametric 2-RDM Method:** Under the ARO grant we developed the parametric 2-RDM method (p2-RDM) in which the 2-RDM is parameterized by single and double excitations. The p2-RDM method has a smaller pre-factor in its computational scaling than coupled cluster singles-doubles with an accuracy approaching wave function methods with triple excitations, especially in the presence of multi-reference correlation. Applications have been made to strongly correlated transition states and intermediates including the rotational transition state between the *cis* and *trans* diazene as well as the diradical isomers of the recently discovered olympicene molecule. The method has also been applied to showing the importance of multi-reference correlation on small energy differences which arise in determining the existence and stability of oxywater and the relative energies and stability of the cage and prism isomers of water hexamer. The p2-RDM method has made available for download from the research group’s website.

**2) Prototype Low-scaling 2-RDM Method:** Using tensor factorizations of the double-excitation and Hamiltonian matrices, we developed a prototype, low-scaling 2-RDM method that scales computationally as  $O(r^4)$  where  $r$  is the number of orbitals in the one electron basis set. Further development of the method has the potential to provide an *ab initio* alternative to density functional theory.

**3) Complete Set of  $N$ -representability Conditions:** The 2-RDM must be constrained for its two electrons to represent an  $N$ -electron quantum system. These constraints are known as  $N$ -representability conditions. With ARO support we presented a constructive solution to the  $N$ -representability problem: a full characterization of the conditions for constraining the two-

electron reduced density matrix to represent an  $N$ -electron density matrix. Previously known conditions, while rigorous, were incomplete. We derived a hierarchy of constraints built upon (i) the bipolar theorem and (ii) tensor decompositions of model Hamiltonians. Existing conditions (D, Q, G, T1, and T2), known classical conditions, and new conditions appear naturally. This theoretical advance gives completeness to the foundation of 2-RDM quantum theory. Conditions beyond T2 will eventually allow for the computation of molecular quantum systems in polynomial time with unprecedented accuracy.

4) ***Efficient Algorithm for Large-scale Semidefinite Programming:*** We developed a more efficient approach to adding  $N$ -representability conditions to 2-RDM calculations based on a boundary-point algorithm for semidefinite programming. The current parallel version of the boundary-point algorithm is 100 to 1000 times faster than a previous first-order algorithm for semidefinite programming developed by our group for electronic structure calculations. The algorithm has been adopted by others for 2-RDM calculations as well as other applications in science and engineering.

5) ***Functional Subsystems in Photosynthetic Light Harvesting:*** The Fenna-Matthews-Olson (FMO) antennae complex, responsible for light harvesting in green sulfur bacteria, consists of three monomers, each with seven chromophores. Skochedopole and Mazziotti showed that multiple subsystems of the seven chromophores can transfer energy from either chromophore 1 or 6 to the reaction center with an efficiency matching or in many cases exceeding that of the full seven chromophore system. In the FMO complex, these functional subsystems support multiple quantum pathways for efficient energy transfer that provide a built-in quantum redundancy. There are many instances of redundancy in nature, providing reliability and protection, and in photosynthetic light harvesting this quantum redundancy provides protection against the temporary or permanent loss of one or more chromophores. The complete characterization of functional subsystems within the FMO complex offers a detailed map of the energy flow within the FMO complex, which has potential applications to the design of more efficient photovoltaic devices.

6) ***Strong Correlation in Light Harvesting:*** We generalized the single-electron/exciton models to a multi-electron/exciton model that explicitly shows the effects of enhanced electron correlation within chromophores on the efficiency of energy transfer. Importantly, within the model the addition of electron correlation within the chromophore enhances energy transfer by as much as 100%.

7) ***Measurement-driven Reconstruction of Many-particle Quantum Processes:*** Quantum measurements provide a trove of information about a quantum system or process without solution of the Schrödinger equation, and in principle, the associated density matrix is a function of these measurements. Inversion of the measurements can produce an estimate of the density matrix, but this estimate may be unphysical, especially when the measurements are noisy or incomplete. We have recently developed a general approach based on semidefinite programming for reconstructing the density matrix from quantum measurements which leads naturally to nonnegative solutions, a critical attribute of physically realistic solutions. We have applied the methodology to reconstructing the time-dependent quantum process of exciton transfer in a photosynthetic light-harvesting complex. The research also has broad applications in advanced sensing and image reconstruction.

8) ***Metrics for Assessing Electron Correlation and Entanglement:*** Reliable but computable metrics for assessing the degree of electron correlation and entanglement are critical for studying strongly correlated molecules and materials. Reduced density matrices (RDMs) are

natural variables for measuring the degree of correlation between electrons. We studied the use of the 2-RDM and parts of the 2-RDM for the measurement of electron correlation and entanglement in the photosynthetic light harvesting of green-sulfur bacteria. We found that the squared Frobenius norm of the cumulant 2-RDM very accurately represents the entanglement in this complicated time-dependent process.

**8) Strong Correlation in Molecular Systems and Processes:** The 2-RDM methods were applied to computing the energies and properties of strongly correlated molecular systems and processes including chains (acenes) and sheets of polyaromatic hydrocarbons and the reaction of firefly luciferin in bioluminescence. Calculations of both ground- and excited-state energies were performed at the conical intersections in the chemiluminescence of dioxetanone and the photoexcited tautomerization of vinyl alcohol to acetylaldehyde.

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